

“LETTING YOU KNOW”

The Illinois Department of Transportation is interested in maintaining close communications with industry. This newsletter highlights subjects which we believe will be of interest to you.

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GUIDE FOR WORKING WITH RAILROADS:

The Illinois Department of Transportation, Bureau of Construction, has a new booklet available, “*Keeping Your Job On Track When Working With A Railroad.*” It offers contractors, IDOT field personnel and others a concise description of responsibilities and best practices when a railroad facility is located within a highway improvement project. It can be found on the IDOT internet site, <http://www.dot.il.gov/dobuisns.html>, in the “Doing Business” section under “Contractor Services.” The link is titled “Guide for Working with Railroads.”

SUBCONTRACTOR REGISTRATION AND RENEWAL:

Beginning June 1, 2005, currently registered subcontractors will be able to renew their IDOT subcontractor registration number on the internet. One month before a subcontractor’s registration number expires, an e-mail will be sent to the subcontractor notifying that the registration number will expire and that they can go to our website, www.dot.il.gov/const/subreg.html, to renew. The subcontractor’s valid tax identification number will be required to enter the system to make any changes. Even if the information of the firm has not changed, the subcontractor still needs to renew the expiration date. For those subcontractors that do not have a valid e-mail address, the department will still notify the subcontractors by letter and change form.

In addition, any subcontractor registering for the first time with IDOT will be required to include their tax identification type and number to register. Any questions regarding this process can be directed to the Prequalification Section at (217) 782-3413.



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**PROFILE VERIFICATION
TESTING:**

The Bureau of Materials and Physical Research, in conjunction with the Bureau of Construction, has conducted an initial round of Profile Verification Testing for both IDOT and Contractor equipment. This is a new program established through proposed changes to the Special Provision for Surface Testing of Pavements that will be effective on the August 5, 2005 letting. These changes require any Contractor on a project using this Special Provision to verify their profile equipment. This also applies to equipment used by a Subcontractor on the project. If you or a Subcontractor need to have a California profilograph verified to meet the new requirements, please contact the following individual to determine when the next round of testing will be:

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**SMALL BUSINESS
SET-ASIDES:**

With the June 17, 2005 Letting, the department is starting a Small Business Set-Aside program. To encourage maximum competition, these small business set-asides are open-bidding items. Please see the Special Notice and other information in this Bulletin. If you have any questions, please contact Jim Duncan at (217) 782-7806.

STAY INFORMED!

Keep in touch with your representative on the IDOT/Industry Policy Committee and IDOT/Industry Joint Co-op Committee.
